The Love Newark Committee Celebrates

Newark's 325th Anniversary



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The Love Newark Committee Fourth Annual Recognition Dinner

"Newark's 325 Anniversary Celebration"

> February 21, 1991 Anheuser-Bush, Inc. Newark, New Jersey

Program

Welcome William Chouinard Vice Lresident Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce Foundation

Lledge of Allegiance Boy Scouts of America Troop & 83, Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church

Invocation
Reverend David Barnes
Program Assistant, Northern State Prison
Love Newark Executive Committe

Dinner

Presentation of Awards Richard R. Levine Chairman, Love Newark Committee

Reynote Address Dick Lynch Former New York Giant Vice Dresident, Discount Corporation of New York

Closing Remarks

Menu

Soup



Winter Salad



Chicken Française



Mousse Au Chocolat



Coffee Tea Decaf

Kappy Birthday, Newark!

Did you know?

...that the Lenape Indians, native to New Jersey, gave the Passaic River its name? The Lenape called the river "Pesayk," which meant peaceful.

...that there are at least 22 Newarks in the United States and one in Australia? America's first Newark, in New Jersey, went on to become the nation's third oldest major city, after Boston and New York.

...that Newark's first church, known as the "Meeting House," was built at the intersection of Broad Street in May of 1668? The building served as both church and government headquarters -- and a "block house" against Indian attacks, though none was ever recorded.

...that Newark's first important industry was shoemaking? The first tan yard was set up in 1698, eventually making Newark the shoemaking capital of the colonies.

...that Newark's first profitable industry was cider-making?

...that by 1776, Newark had a population of approximately 1,000 people, living in 141 dwellings?

...that Newark's leading industries in 1830 were manufacturers of carriages, shoes, hats and saddlery hardware, followed by tanners, soapmakers, iron and brass foundries?

...that the world's greatest inventor, Thomas Alva Edison, started his career in Newark by manufacturing his stock tickers on the third story of a building on Ward Street? Edison employed 18 men during the six years he perfected duplex and ultiplex telegraphy from 1870-76.

...that Newark's population peaked at 442,337 in 1930? It stands at about 325,000 today.

...that in May 1970, Newark elected its first black mayor? Kenneth Allen Gibson was the first black chief executive of a major city in the Northeast.

...that more than 2.5 million cubic yards of fill were placed on the original 68-acre site of the Newark Airport? The asphalt-topped runway, the first hard-surface strip in the country, was laid down in 1928. The first all-air passenger service to the West Coast was started in 1930.

...that more than 60,000 communters rush through the corridors of Newark's Penn Station each day?

...that the Newark Watershed is nearly three times larger than the city itself? Considered New Jersey's "last frontier," the watershed is a rare, pristine oasis in the great metropolitan sprawl. Thirty-five miles northwest of the city, the Newark Watershed consists of five reservoirs that can collect and hold 14.4 billion gallons of water for Newark and eight surrounding municipalities.

...that Newark, the nucleus of Metro New Jersey, placed 18th out of 74 American Cities ranked for their "business climates" by U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT?

These and other fascinating facts are found in the pages of <u>Greater Newark: A Microcosm of America</u>, published by Windsor Publications, Inc., in cooperation with the Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce. The book is available in book stores throughout the area.

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All those whose names do not appear in the program but have contributed to the Committee's success.

The Love Newark Committee

The Love Newark Committee is comprised of members of Newark's business, residential, and civic communities who are dedicated to enhancing the image of the City of Newark through anti-litter and educational programs. The Committee invites all interested individuals to become invovled in its initiatives. For more information, contact:

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